board may in its discretion proceed in accordance with the provisions of this Article or, as an alternative method, in accordance with the provisions of such other act. (1961, c. 722, s. 2.)

#### Article 4.

#### North Carolina's Eastern Region.

## § 158-30. Title.

This Article shall be known as the "North Carolina's Eastern Region Act". (1993, c. 544, s. 1; 2005-364, s. 1.)

### § 158-31. Purpose.

The purpose of this Article is to allow the following counties, which have the potential to derive direct economic benefits from the North Carolina Global TransPark, to create a special economic development district, to be known as North Carolina's Eastern Region: Carteret, Craven, Duplin, Edgecombe, Greene, Jones, Lenoir, Nash, Onslow, Pamlico, Pitt, Wayne, and Wilson.

The purpose of North Carolina's Eastern Region is to promote the development of the North Carolina Global TransPark and to promote and encourage economic development within the territorial jurisdiction of the Region by fostering or sponsoring development projects to provide land, buildings, facilities, programs, information and data systems, and infrastructure requirements for business and industry in the North Carolina Global TransPark outside of the Global TransPark Complex, and elsewhere in the Region. (1993, c. 544, s. 1; 1993 (Reg. Sess., 1994), c. 751, s. 1; 2005-364, s. 1.)

# § 158-32. Definitions.

The following definitions apply in this Article:

- (1) Authority. The North Carolina Global TransPark Authority created under Chapter 63A of the General Statutes.
- (2) Commission. North Carolina's Eastern Region Development Commission, the governing body of North Carolina's Eastern Region.
- (3) Global TransPark Complex. The approximately four to six thousand acre site designated by the Authority for a cargo airport and related facilities in Lenoir County. The site will contain a modern airport large enough to handle the largest aircraft and will be dedicated to the rapid movement of freight and passengers by air with intermodal connecting links with rail, highway, and water transportation facilities.
- (4) North Carolina Global TransPark. A large area surrounding and including the Global TransPark Complex, which will contain commercial and industrial sites providing attractive locations for business and industry of differing sizes and varying kinds.
- (4a) Region. North Carolina's Eastern Region, an economic development district created pursuant to this Article.
- (5) Unit of Local Government. A local subdivision or unit of government or a local public corporate entity, including any type of special district or public authority.
- (6) Repealed by Session Laws 2005-364, s. 1, effective October 1, 2005. (1993, c. 544, s. 1; 2005-364, s. 1.)

#### § 158-33. Creation of North Carolina's Eastern Region.

(a) Resolution to Create Region. – Any three or more of the counties listed in G.S. 158-31 may create North Carolina's Eastern Region as provided in this section. In order to create the